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Blazing the Wrong Trail

One of the leading farm jour-
nals of the south is authority for
the statement that in the rural
high schools of North Carolina
seven thousand children are
studying Latin, while only sev-
en hundred are studying agri-
culture.

The significance of these fig-
ures are not grasped until we
learn that of the pupils attend-
ing high school in this country
not more than one per cent ever
reach the college or university.

When we assimilate the fur-
ther fact that the high schools
do not and can not impart a
working knowledge of the Lat-
in language, we begin to ap-
preciate the utter foolishness
of an educational system that
forces upon children the study
of a dead language from which
not one in 7,000 will ever ben-
efit.

The above figures may vary
in other states—we hope they
do. But they serve to call for-
cibly to our attention a glaring
fault in the school system of
the United States.

Any system that requires
boys and girls (who in many
cases can ill afford the time and
means to attend even a high
school) to waste from a quarter
to a fifth of their school life on
a study that will never benefit
them in life's struggle, is not a
blunder—it is a crime.

Consider again. Of the 7,000
studying Latin, there are only
700 studying agriculture. These
figures also may vary in other
states, but still any one fam-
iliar with the school system of
this country knows that the
proportion of our rural boys and
girls who secure a competent
education in agriculture is la-
mentably small.

And what is the conclusion?
Why, we are wedded in our
schools to a fossilized, petrified
and antiquated system that or-
dains that in order to acquire
an "education" one must be
conversant with a language
that is so everlastingly dead it
has not been generally spoken
on earth in the last thousand
years. And this while the cry-
ing, burning needs of the hour
are sidetracked as of minor im-
portance.

It is time for the rural popu-
lation of our country to arise in
their might and demand that
the schools cease educating
their children away from the
farm.

The professions are over-
crowded, and the trades are in
even worse condition. The
farmer's job is the only one in
this land that promises a career
without the paralyzing competi-
tion to be met in other lines.
Yet instead of being trained for
efficiency in this great calling
our youths are compelled to
fritter away their time on a
course of study that, to be in
any sense beneficial, must be
followed through the college or
university—which the very
smallest per cent of them ever
reach.

PUBLIC
SCHOOLWill Open Wednesday, Sep-
tember 5th.

Prof. Owen R. Easley, the
new principal of the public
school, has arrived in the city
and is making arrangements to
open school on Wednesday,
September 5th. Prof. Easley is
an experienced school man and
comes to the Gap highly recom-
mended.

Practical Domestic Science
will be added to the school this
year. This grade will be in
charge of Miss Mary Skeen,
who has had special normal
training in this work. This
work will be offered to seventh
grade and second year high
school girls. Material to be
furnished by the girls. Miss
Skeen will also teach morning
section of third grade. Depart-
mentalizing work in fifth, sixth
and seventh years is being dis-
cussed. Changes in high school
studies will include modern lan-
guages (French, German and
Spanish) in third and fourth
years, probably advanced arith-
metic and economics in fourth
year. Choice by pupils and
parents.

An earnest effort will be made
to enroll every pupil in the com-
munity and especially those be-
tween the ages of seven and
fourteen.

Following are the teachers for
this year:

High School—Owen R. Eas-
ley, principal; S. Bartlett Hall,
assistant principal; Miss Nell
Van Gorder.

Elementary School—Miss
Charibel Lockett, Miss Winnie
Mullins, Mrs. S. B. Hall, Miss
Roberta Buck, Miss Flora Bruce.

Miss Ruby Kemper, fourth
grade; Miss Olga Horton, fourth
grade; Miss Mary Skeen, do-
mestic science and third grade;
Miss Janet Bailey, third grade
and departmental work; Miss
Retta Thompson, second grade;
Miss Mary Lee Maiden, first
grade.

J. C. Fuller, who has been
confined to his room for some
time with stomach trouble, will
leave to-day for New York,
where he will undergo treat-
ment.

Mrs. W. E. Saxon and chil-
dren returned Tuesday night
from a visit to relatives at
Wyndale, Va.

Surprise Party

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Smith
gave their oldest son, Reginald,
a very pleasant surprise in the
form of a party last Thursday
evening from eight thirty
until eleven o'clock in honor of
his eighteenth birthday.

The living room and parlor
was made very attractive with
large vases and bowls of white
hydrangeas.

Progressive Rook was the
diversion for the evening.
Miss Edith Van Gorder made
the greatest number of progres-
sions and won the girl's prize,
a beautiful box of Crane's sta-
tionery, and Mr. Arthur Crum-
bley won the boy's prize, a pair
of silk socks.

At the close of the game cro-
cheted lunch cloths were placed
on the tables, on which Mrs.
Smith, assisted by Miss Janet
Bailey, served a delicious salad
course and iced tea to the
guests.

Those present were: Misses
Nell Van Gorder, Bruce Skeen,
Dorothy Owens, Edith and Ethel
Van Gorder, Mary Baker, Ruth
Smith, Nellie Horsley and Janet
Bailey. Messrs. Johnson, A.
Crumbley, W. Flemming, D. C.
Wolfe, Jr., Wilbur Fleener, W.
B. Wax, Reginald and Clifford
Smith.

The cost of everything is
still soaring, and congress is
still twaddling, and the speculat-
ing shavens are still sucking the
warm blood of the nation.

If Mr. Hoover succeeds in
straightening out the food situ-
ation he will have done a great
work. If he fails—well, he can
console himself with the knowl-
edge that there always has to
be a goat.

Government reports forecast
the largest corn crop in the his-
tory of the country, but it
hasn't budged the price. Now
what's become of the knowing
ones who used to talk so glibly
of "supply and demand."

Fine Session of
Clinch Valley
AssociationMany Distinguished Divines,
Educators, and Religious
Workers Attend the
Gathering

The Clinch Valley Baptist
Association met with the Gate
City Baptist church Thursday
evening. Rev. J. B. Craft, in
a happy vein, preached the an-
nual sermon. Charles Hall, Jr.,
of Norton, as Moderator, called
the Association to order and de-
clared re-election, whereupon
that honor was conferred upon
Rev. J. B. Craft, C. F. Kilgore,
of Cuckburn, was re-elected clerk
and treasurer.

The ministers in attendance
were Dr. J. M. McManaway, of
Pennington Gap, Rev. J. B.
Craft, of Big Stone Gap, Rev.
J. L. King, of Norton, Rev. J.
H. Anderson, of Cowans Branch,
Rev. Mohl, of Appalachia, Rev.
D. B. Stone, of Hiltons, and
Rev. C. R. Cruikshank, of Gate
City. Other prominent figures
here were Dr. R. D. Garland, of
the State Mission board, Dr. J.
T. Henderson, of the Laymen's
Missionary Movement, the sec-
retary of the Sunday School
board, Dr. Noffsinger, president
of Virginia Interment College,
Dr. Geo. B. Taylor, of Hollins
Institute, representing the Or-
phanage at Salem, and Rev. E.
A. Jackson, of Abingdon, a
missionary to Brazil.

Many important missionary
and church subjects were dis-
cussed, and excellent addresses
made by Drs. Noffsinger, Tay-
lor, Garland, Jackson, Hender-
son and others. A number of
good sermons were preached.

Mrs. Goodloe, of Big Stone
Gap, conducted the session of
the Woman's Missionary Soci-
eties in the M. E. church Fri-
day afternoon.

A minister at the Association
who made a lasting impression
on all was Rev. R. H. Dud-
ley, a native of Georgia, but at
present a resident of Louisville,
Ky., where within two months
he will complete the course in
the Seminary. He has been
blind since he was six months
old, but is a finished scholar,
reads his raised letter Bible
with great power and impres-
siveness, and is an accomplished
musician both vocally and in-
strumentally, as well as a mu-
sical composer. Saturday night
he preached a great sermon on
being a chosen vessel. After the
sermon the large congrega-
tion held a lovefeast with him
and nearly all gave him a dollar
bill to carry home to his good
wife and sweet little children.
His sermon and talks will make
better all the people who heard
him.

The next Association will be
held at Hurricane, near Wise,
the splendid pastor of which,
Rev. M. L. Mintz, of Wise, was
one of the ministers here during
the Association, having with
him his friend, Rev. R. H.
Dudley.

Rev. J. B. Craft preached
Sunday morning and Rev. C.
R. Cruikshank at night, both
splendid sermons.—Gate City
Herald.

LETTER OF THANKS FROM
OUR RECENT GUARDSMEN

Camp 2nd Va. Inf.,
Roanoke, Va., Aug. 22, 1917.

On behalf of the 3rd Provis-
ional Battalion of the 2nd Va.
Inf. recently under command,
I want to thank the people of
Tazewell, Russell, Wise and
Scott for their splendid treat-
ment of both officers and men
while we were on guard duty
on the N. & W., the C. C. & O.,
and Southern railways.

Never were soldiers treated
with more kindness, considera-
tion and hospitality by young
and old, male and female. No
soldiers were ever more ap-
preciative. They will always
fondly remember their sojourn
in the mountains, and the re-
membrance of it will ever cheer
and comfort them, whether
struggling in French trenches,
sweltering under Arabian sun,
or chilling in Russian snow;
and some of them, I hope many,
will some day return to claim a
little hand and a big heart
which they have already won,
and which they will the more
deserve when they shall have
done their bit to whip the Ger-
mans.

J. F. BULLITT,
Major, 2nd Va. Inf.

WANTED—To purchase a
good saddle horse. Apply to
Dr. T. J. Tudor, Keokee, Va.

The corn crop is indicated as
considerable over three billion
bushels, which is another big
item, for which we are all
thankful.

The Good Book tells us that
Satan is to be loosed for a
thousand years. But what we'd
like to know, however, is how
long the old duck has been
loose.

Says Phosphates Make Beauti-
ful Women and Strong,
Healthy, Virgorous,
Robust Men.

Physicians all over the world are pre-
scribing phosphates to build up run
down enemic conditions and those
who have treated their patients with
Argo-Phosphate are changing thin,
enemic women with toneless tissues,
flabby flesh, into the most beautiful
rosy checked and plump round form-
ed women imaginable.

Atlanta, Ga.—Dr. Jacobson said in a
recent interview that 90 per cent. of en-
emia comes from nervous breakdown
which can only be corrected by supplying
the necessary phosphates to the nervous
system that is lacking in the food you
eat, and this can be quickly supplied by
taking one or two 5 grain Argo-Phos-
phate tablets after each meal, and at bed
time. It will in many cases make a pale
sallow face the picture of health in a
few days. I have seen women that I ex-
pected would have to be kept under treat-
ment for months restored to perfect health in
one or two weeks.

SPECIAL NOTICE. The Argo-Phos-
phate recommended by Dr. F. H. Jacob-
son contains phosphates such as are pre-
scribed by leading physicians throughout
the world, and it will be found the most
effective form for treating patients with
Nervous Dyspepsia, Stomach Troubles,
Brain Fag, and Nervous Prostration. It
will renew youthful vim and vigor, and
build up the whole body. If your druggist
will not supply you with Argo-Phos-
phate, send \$1.00 for two weeks treat-
ment, to Argo Laboratories, 10 Forsyth
St., Atlanta, Ga.—adv.

BANKRUPT NOTICE.

In The District Court of the United
States for the Western District of Vir-
ginia. In Bankruptcy.

In the matter of
Garrett Gilbert Lifford
Bankrupt

IN BANKRUPTCY.

To the creditors of Garrett Gilbert Lifford
of Appalachia, in the County of Wise,
and district aforesaid, a bankrupt:
Notice is hereby given that on the
day of July, A. D. 1917, the said Garrett
Gilbert Lifford was duly adjudicated bank-
rupt; and that the first meeting of his
creditors will be held at My Office, in
Norton, Va., on the 6th day of September,
A. D. 1917, at 10 o'clock, in the forenoon
at which time the said creditors
may attend, prove their claims, appoint a
trustee, examine the bankrupt, and trans-
act such other business as may properly
come before said meeting.

John Roberts,
Referee in Bankruptcy.
This August 23rd, 1917. Norton, Va.

Trustees' Sale
of Lots

The undersigned trustees by virtue of
a deed of trust made to them by J. E.
Bunn and wife, dated August 16th, 1912,
and recorded in Wise County Deed Book
110, page 397, to secure the Atlantic
Life Insurance Company in certain sums
default in the payment of which hav-
ing been made, will on

Saturday, September 22, 1917,

between the hours of 10 o'clock, A. M.,
and 12 o'clock noon, and as near the
hour of 10 A. M. as practicable, at the
front door of the United States Court
House and Post Office building in the
town of Big Stone Gap, Virginia, sell at
public outcry to the highest bidder the
following property, to-wit: lots 5, 6, 7,
8, 13, 14 and 15, of block 35 of Improve-
ment Company's Plat No. 1 of the Town
of Big Stone Gap. Said lots 5, 6, 7 and
8 front on Wood Avenue on the south
side thereof between East First and East
Second Streets, and said lots 13, 14 and
15 front on Clinton Avenue on the north
side thereof between East First and East
Second Streets, each of said lots being
65 by 132 feet in dimensions, and on the
said lots are four dwelling houses, two
fronting on Wood Avenue, and two on
Clinton Avenue. This property is very
desirable for homes, the houses being in
good repair and centrally located.

Terms of Sale

The terms of said sale are as follows:
for cash as to so much of the proceeds as
may be necessary to pay the trustees'
commission of five per cent, and all un-
paid taxes, assessments, levies and insur-
ance premiums due and unpaid at the
time of the sale and also a ratable prop-
ortion of the taxes and levies for the year
1917, and the principal sum of Seven
Thousand Dollars (\$7,000.00) and inter-
est due and unpaid thereon, and the date of
sale, the amount of all of which will
be announced on the day of sale, and
if there be any residue of pur-
chase money the same shall be payable in
equal installments at one and two years
from day of sale, to be evidenced by
deed of trust on said property, or for
all cash as to said residue, or any part
thereof, at the option of the purchaser.

E. RANDOLPH WILLIAMS,
R. T. IRVINE,
Trustees.
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RACING PROGRAM
ATWise County Fair
WISE, VIRGINIA
Sept. 27, 28 and 29, 1917

FIRST DAY

MULE RACE, one half mile heat.

First Prize—\$10.00

Second Prize—\$10.00

Third Prize—\$10.00

HORSE RACING (County)

Best two in three one half mile heats

	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
FIRST DAY	\$30.00	\$20.00	\$10.00
SECOND DAY	40.00	25.00	10.00
THIRD DAY	50.00	25.00	15.00

HORSE RACING (Wide Open)

Best two in three one half mile heats

	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
FIRST DAY	\$40.00	\$30.00	\$20.00
SECOND DAY	50.00	30.00	20.00
THIRD DAY	100.00	50.00	25.00

TROTTING (Wide Open)

Best two in three one half mile heats

	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
FIRST DAY	\$30.00	\$15.00	
SECOND DAY	40.00	25.00	
THIRD DAY	50.00	30.00	

MOTORCYCLE RACES

10 Mile Run

	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
FIRST DAY	\$40.00	\$25.00	\$10.00
SECOND DAY	60.00	35.00	15.00
THIRD DAY	75.00	40.00	25.00

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